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## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-16 are pending in the application and are subject to a restriction and/or election requirement. The claims have been restricted under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

- I. Claims 1-6, drawn to a system for verifying a digital signature,
- II. Claims 7-10 and 13, drawn to maintaining a set of confirmations and generating a digest, and
- III. Claims 11-12 and 14-16, drawn to validating a certificate based on time, date, and revocation status.

Applicant, by his attorney, hereby elects the claims of Group I, claims 1-6, without traverse.

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